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## Montana Triennial: “Intimate and expansive”

Juror Peter Held winnowed 200 submissions for the final works that appear in the Missoula Art Museum’s “Montana Triennial: 2015.” The exhibit opens with a reception and juror’s talk May 1, and continues through Sept. 4.

Held, an independent curator from Phoenix, and former director and curator of the Holter Museum of Art in Helena, writes that several themes arose in the process of selecting works for the exhibit:

“Intimate; Expansive; Mark-Making; and We the People. I believe the sum total accurately reflects the state of the arts in Montana today.”

“Truthfully, I had twinges of being homesick reviewing the works by these talented artists,” he writes. They have captured all that I love about Montana: the windswept vistas of the eastern plains, the craggy snow-capped mountains ringing the western front, bursting fields of wildflowers and bear grass pregnant with spring. But most of all it is the spirit and independence of the people who call Montana home that brings me back on annual sojourns.”

MAM will publish a full-color catalog featuring Held’s interpretive essay, exhibiting artists biographies, and images of the selected works. For details visit [missoulaartmuseum.org](http://missoulaartmuseum.org).

# EXHIBITIONS, MAY/JUNE

## Glendive

### Dawson Community College Impromptu

**Gallery:** “Signs of the Times: Downtown Glendive, Sept. 2010-Sept. 2014,” through May 15; 406-377-3396

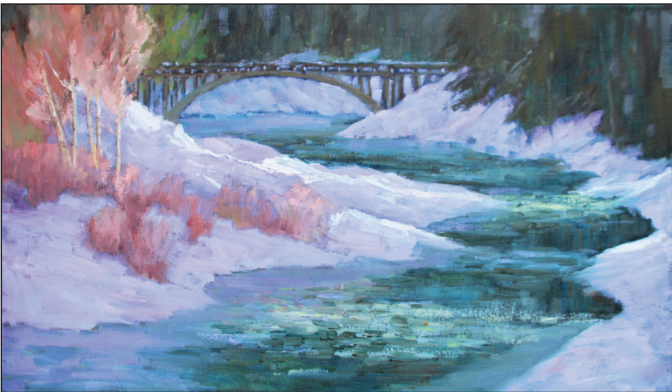
## Great Falls

**Amazing Toys:** Deeling Gregory, ongoing; 406-727-5557

**Bert and Ernie’s:** Arts Association of Montana members, “Cityscape,” through May 29; “It’s a Bird,” May 29-July 31; 406-453-0601

**C.M. Russell Museum:** “Harmless Hunter: The Wildlife Art of Charles M. Russell,” May 16-Sept. 13; “The Bison: American Icon, Heart of Plains Indian Culture,” The Browning Firearms Collection, and the Charles M. Russell Collection, ongoing; 406-727-8787

**Electric City Coffeehouse:** Carrie Kohles, Kay Silk, Ron Paulick and Lorraine Dooner, through June, reception 5-9 p.m. May 1 and June 5; 406-452-4529



“Winter’s Bridge” by Linda Tippetts is part of the Hockaday Museum of Art’s “A Timeless Legacy – Women Artists of Glacier National Park,” on display May 28-July 18.

**Eve Pottery:** Spring Show, reception 10:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. May 7-9; 406-452-9155

**Great Falls Public Library:** Arts Association of Montana Art Show, through May 9; 406-453-0349

**Paris Gibson Square Museum of Art:** Great Falls Public School Exhibition, through May 28; Steven Glueckert, “The Blind Men and The Elephant,” June 1-Aug. 1; Danielle O’Malley, Artist in Residence Exhibition, June 2-Sept. 1; “Val Knight Retrospective,” June 5-Aug. 31; Randi O’Brian, “Alas, The Pelicans,” June 5-Sept. 11; 406-727-8255

**Parking Garage at 315 First Ave. South:** Urban Art Project Summer Exhibit, June 5-Sept. 5, reception 5-7 p.m. June 15; 406-452-9315

**Portal Gallery:** Jeremy Paul, “DoubleThink,” through May 2, reception May 1, 406-868-7881

**The History Museum:** “Under the Big Stack,” “Seventh Ferrying Group,” and displays devoted to the Park Hotel, Native American artifacts, and the Fort Shaw women’s basketball team, ongoing; 406-452-3462

## Hamilton

**Frame Shop and Gallery:** Linda Stoudt, “After-Now,” June 5-July 31; 406-363-6684

**Ravalli County Museum:** “Nano: The Science of Small,” through early August, reception 6 p.m. May 7; 406-363-3338

## Hardin

**JailHouse Gallery:** Mana Lesman and James Seward, “Montana’s Glory in Watercolors,” through June 30, reception 5-8 p.m. May 1; 406-665-3239

## Helena

**1+1=1 Gallery:** Nerissa Eckerson, Samantha Briegel and Sarah Magar, “Pattern and Surface,” through May 17; 406-431-9931

**Archie Bray Foundation:** UM and MSU Faculty and Student Exhibition, closes May 23. Visiting Artists Exhibition, June 4-Sept. 5; Resident Artists Exhibition, June 11-Aug. 2, and Bray Benefit Auction Exhibition, June 11-July 25, joint reception 6-8 p.m. June 11; 406-443-3502

**Holter Museum of Art:** Vanessa German, “Bitter Root,” May 19-Aug. 16, and Bray Second Year Residents, May 23-Aug. 30, joint reception 6-8 p.m. May 29; Lewis and Clark County students, “Youth Electrum,” through May 16; David Hiltner, George McCauley and Koichi Yamako, “Three Potters,” June 12-Aug. 16, reception 6-8 p.m. June 12; 406-442-6400

**Montana Historical Society:** “Our Forgotten Pioneers: The Chinese in Montana,” through Spring 2016, reception 5-6:30 p.m. May 14. “Eloquence in Wood: The Art of John L. Clarke” and “Gold, Glory, and Rebellion: Montana and the Civil War,” through Summer 2015; 406-444-2694

## Kalispell

**Conrad Mansion Museum:** Historic Clothing Exhibit and Conrad Family Firearms, May 15-Oct. 15; 406-755-2166

**Hockaday Museum of Art:** “Timeless Miniatures,” through May 23, and Melissa Wilkin-son, “Gentlemen Wear Black,” May 7-June 13, joint reception 5-7 p.m. May 7; “A Timeless Legacy – Women Artists of Glacier National Park,” May 28-July 18, reception 5-7 p.m. May 28; “Plein Air Glacier – Exploring Glacier’s Timeless Legacy,” June 25-July 25, party 5-8 p.m. June 20; 406-755-5268

## Lewistown

**Lewistown Art Center:** Chad Steve and Stephen Glueckert, “Structure Rising,” reception 5-7 p.m. May 1; Denise Pfau and Heidi Zielinski, May 1-30, reception 5-7 p.m. May 29; Barb Ellison and Bill Fickinger, Mixed Media Garden Sculpture, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. May 9; Montana Watercolor Society Exhibition, June 1-28, reception 5-7 p.m. June 27; 406-535-8278

## Livingston

**Livingston Center for Art and Culture:** John Saurer Installation, May 19-June 13, reception 5-8 p.m. May 29; Head Start Center and Arrowhead School students, “Young Artists Show,” May 3-10, reception 3-6 p.m. May 8; “Year of the Goat,” June 16-July 11, reception 4 p.m. June 26; 406-222-5222

**Livingston Depot Center:** “Train+Depot=Light, Energy, Motion,” May 23-Sept. 13, reception June 18; 406-222-2300

**Yellowstone Gateway Museum:** “Exploring Yellowstone through ART,” May 1-Sept. 30; 406-222-4184

## Miles City

**WaterWorks Art Museum:** Western Art Roundup, through June 19, reception 9:30-11:30 a.m. May 17; Montana Artrepreneur Program Artists, June 27-Aug. 7, reception 1-4 p.m. June 27; 406-234-0635

## Missoula

**4 Ravens Gallery:** Flori Engbrecht, “In the Dream Time,” through May, reception 5-8 p.m. May 1; Clare Ann Harff and Brendan Stewart, “Layering,” June 1-30, reception 5-8 p.m. June 5; 406-317-1543

**Artists’ Shop:** Juan de Santa Anna, “A Really Good Burger,” through May, reception 5-8 p.m. May 1; 406-543-6393

**Clay Studio:** Woodfire Invitational, through May 29, reception 5:30-9 p.m. May 1; Adrian Arleo, Beth Lo, Stephen Braun, Carla Potter, Chris Riccardo, Crista Ann Ames, and Jocelyn Howard, “The Figure in Montana,” June 5-28, reception 5:30-9 p.m. June 5; 406-543-0509

**e3 Convergence Gallery:** Joseph Kellogg, “Dad-Gum-It: Father, Son, Time,” through May, reception 5:30-8:30 p.m. May 1; 406-830-3168

**Historical Museum at Fort Missoula:** “Growing the Garden City: Missoula’s First 150 Years,” through December; “Highlander Beer,” May-August; 406-728-3476

**Missoula Art Museum:** Montana Triennial: 2015, through Sept. 4, reception 5-8 p.m. May 1 and June 5; Theo Ellsworth, “Thought Clouds – Narrative Works on Paper,” through June 26; Jeneese Hilton, “Raven Reviewing Modern, A Gift to the Permanent Collection,” through Aug. 22; “The Andy Warhol Collection: Museum of Art/Washington State University” through Aug. 15; Renée Brown, “Profusion,” through June 20; Big Sky High School Art Club, through May 29; John Thompson, “A Celebration,” through Aug. 31; reception 10 a.m.-noon May 16; “American Abstract Artists,” June 5-Sept. 19; 406-728-0447

**Montana Museum of Art and Culture:** “The Art of the State: Celebrating 120 Years of the MMAC Permanent Collection,” through May 23; “Human Condition: The Art of Ben Steele” and “Hometown: The MMAC Permanent Collection Celebrates Missoula,” June 4-Sept. 12; 406-243-2019

**Radius Gallery:** Ric Gendron and Melissa S. Cole, “Life/Stories,” May 6-June 6, reception 5-8 p.m. May 8; “Scapes | Land-Sea-Mind,” June 11-Aug. 8, reception 5-8 p.m. June 12; 406-541-7070

## Plains

**Clark Fork Valley Hospital:** “Art on the Walls” Spring Exhibit, through June 23; 406-826-8585



“Peter” by Jocelyn Howard, whose work is part of “The Figure in Montana,” on display June 5-28 at the Clay Studio.

## Polson

**People’s Center:** “Seasons of the Salish, Pend d’Oreille and Kootenai Tribes,” through June 30; 406-675-0160

**Sandpiper Art and Gift Gallery:** Polson elementary school students, “Kids and Native Culture,” May 18-30, reception 5-7 p.m. May 22; “aRt: The ‘R’ in aRt,” through May 16; Sue Arneson, Marge Hendricks, Jan Brooks, Larry Kjorvestad, Jeff Morrow, Chelsea Lipscomb, and Kelly Price, “Sky Above Us,” June 1-July 11, reception 5-7 p.m. June 5; 406-883-5956

## Red Lodge

**Depot Gallery:** Jim Vincent and Jim LeBar, “Two Views of ‘The Last Best Place,’” and Bonnie Eldredge, “Capturing Today for Tomorrow,” through May, joint reception 3-5 p.m. May 9; Phyllis Waltman, “Exquisite Equestrian,” and the Billings Arts Association Exhibit, June 1-30, joint reception 3-5 p.m. June 6; 406-446-1370

**Red Lodge Clay Center:** ASPN Exhibition, May 1-29; reception 5-7 p.m. May 22; Artists-Invite-Artists Summer Kick-off, through May, reception 5-7 p.m. May 1; George McCauley, Dan Schmitt, Koichi Yamamoto, and David Hiltner, “Tomodachi Too,” reception 5-7 p.m. June 5; 406-446-3993

## Ronan

**The Red Poppy:** Betty Duncan, through May 23; 406-676-3010

## Sidney

**MonDak Heritage Center:** Bonnie Zahn Griffith Art Show, through June 6; Peggy Ames Nerud and Mary Knapp, “Found Metal Finds Fused Glass,” through May 2; 406-433-3500

## Virginia City

**Elling House:** Cathy Toot, through June, reception 5 p.m. June 6; 406-843-5507

## Whitefish

**Purple Pomegranate:** Monica van der Mars, through May, reception 6-9 p.m. May 7; Jane Kleinschmidt, June 1-30, reception 6-9 p.m. June 4; 406-862-7227

**Stumptown Art Studio:** Student Spring Show and Ice-Cream Social, through May 29, reception 6-9 p.m. May 7; 20th Anniversary Artists’ Retrospective Show, June 1-28, reception 6-9 p.m. June 4; 406-862-5929

**Walking Man Frame Shop and Gallery:** Kelly West, “First Impressions,” through May, reception 6-9 p.m. May 7; “Sculpture Invite” and Ginger Mesko, “Renewal,” June 1-30, reception 6-9 p.m. June 4; 406-863-2787



Maggie Carlson’s “Willows” is part of the Missoula Art Museum’s “Montana Triennial.”